

Environment Select Committee

A meeting of Environment Select Committee was held on Monday, 24th September, 2007.

Present: Cllr Mrs Maureen Rigg (Chairman), Cllr Dick Cains, Cllr Roy Rix, Cllr Michael Smith and Cllr Mick Stoker.

Officers: R.Bradley, S.Daniels, A.Gibson, J.Robins (DNS); P.K Bell, J.Trainer (LD).

Also in attendance: J Laverick, D Knowles (T Rea and Sons), J Sisson (Co-operative Funeral Service), P Milligan (North East Granite), M Shelhorn (Stockton Memorials), J Bowes (Lords Monumentals).

Apologies: Cllr Andrew Larkin, Cllr Steve Walmsley, Cllr Mick Womphrey and Cllr William Woodhead.

1 Declarations of Interest

There were no interests declared.

2 The minutes of the meeting held on 18th June 2007 - For signature by the Chairman

The minutes of the meeting held on 18th June 2007 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

3 Draft minutes of the meeting held on 3rd September 2007

Consideration was given to the content of the draft minutes of the meeting held on 3rd September 2007.

CONCLUDED that the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd September 2007 be forwarded to Council for consideration.

4 Review of Cemeteries and Memorials - The Management of Memorials - Evidence from Funeral Directors and Memorial Masons

As part of the Review of Cemeteries and Memorials - The Management of Memorials Members received evidence from the following Funeral Directors and Memorial Masons:-

J Laverick, D Knowles (T Rea and Sons), J Sisson (Co-operative Funeral Service), P Milligan (North East Granite), M Shelhorn (Stockton Memorials), J Bowes (Lords Monumentals).

Members asked the Funeral Directors and Memorial Masons specific questions relating to the review.

Members also received written evidence from members of the public and Thornaby Funerals and Dales of Thirsk Memorials.

The Chair thanked the Funeral Directors and Memorial Masons for their attendance at the meeting.

CONCLUDED that the evidence be received.

5 Work Programme

Members reviewed the Committee's Work Programme and were advised that the current review was on schedule to report to Cabinet in November.

CONCLUDED that the Work Programme be noted.